

Glasgow, 116 George Street;
October 17th, 1849.

Dear Madam,

I have been for some time
intimate with your friends Miss Paton, Mrs.
Anderson, and Mrs. Welch; and have in-
terested myself, as far as my small
means would permit me, in the Anti
Slavery cause. While residing with
Miss Paton at Garscube during last sum-
mer, she suggested to me — knowing that
I wrote for some of our periodicals —
to contribute to the 'Liberty Bell'.
I send you my effort. You will find
that I have not directly blamed
the Slave-holders, as I think it

best to let the mind discover its errors
if possible, without a direct charge.
This I think was the Saviour's meth-
od - is the method of all those
who try to live as he did. If
Love and Liberty are the laws of
Nature - then those lives must be
wrong who do not live in harmony
with these laws.

I can only say for the verses,
that they were written amid glorious
scenery, and that while writing
them, my mind was filled with
the purest and most elevated
feeling. Should they meet your
approval I will feel happy that

I have been able to give my mite
to a cause that I so heartily
will see success

I am
Yours truly

Yours respectfully
H. W. Barland

Mrs. Chapman

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